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SUBJECT: EXTENSION OF U.S. EXPORT DEVELOPMENT MISSION TO
JAPAN, OCTOBER 1978

REF: STATE 115398; TAIPEI 02922

1. SUMMARY: AFTER REVIEW OF REFTELS POST BELIEVES
THAT SOME MEMBERS OF THIS MISSION MIGHT WELL BE
INTERESTED IN PURSUING INCREASED TRADE WITH KOREA AS WELL
AS WITH TAIWAN AND RECOMMENDS, THEREFORE, THAT SEOUL BE
CONSIDERED AS ANOTHER STOPPING POINT FOR THE MISSION.
AIRLINE SCHEDULES MAKE IT POSSIBLE TO STOP AT SEOUL BEFORE
OR AFTER TAIPEI WITH NO EXTRA EXPENSE.

2. THE MACHINE TOOL; ADVANCED SCIENTIFIC EQUIPMENT;
MODERN MANAGEMENT EQUIPMENT; AND INVEST IN USA MISSIONS
ARE MOST SUITABLE. FOOD PACKAGING AND PROCESSING
EQUIPMENT IS ALSO VIABLE THOUGH NOT AS DESIRABLE AS THE
ABOVE. AUDIO AND VISUAL AIDS EQUIPMENT WOULD NOT FIND
A READY MARKET AT THIS TIME.

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3. EMBASSY'S TRADE CENTER CAN ACCOMMODATE UP TO TWELVE
MISSION MEMBERS WITH INDIVIDUAL CUBICLES. POST COULD
ACCEPT TWO OR THREE MISSIONS CONCURRENTLY UP TO
TOTAL OF THIRTY MEMBERS BY USING BOTH TRADE CENTER AND
ICA FACILITIES. OUR SCHEDULE FOR OCTOBER IS FLEXIBLE,
THESE MISSIONS COULD BE SUPPORTED WITHOUT LESSENING EFFORTS
FOR OTHER ACTIVITIES IF SOUTH CAROLINA IOGA - ALSO VISITING

TAIPEI - WERE RESCHEDULED. FOR MORE THAN TWENTY MEMBERS,
WE WOULD HAVE TO OBTAIN ADDITIONAL MERO OR BUILD BOOTHS
FROM PLYWOOD.

4. PLEASE ADVISE SOONEST IF ONE OR MORE OF THESE MISSIONS
CAN VISIT SEOUL. BECAUSE OF THE SIZE AND COMPLEXITY OF
HANDLING THESE POTENTIALLY LARGE GROUPS WE WOULD NEED TO
HAVE CONFIRMED DATES AS SOON AS POSSIBLE; PARTICULARLY IF
ICA SPACE WERE TO BE USED.
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